



- There is no fee for the permit.
- The Delaware Department of Agriculture can assist owners and operators by providing a self assessment/risk assessment tool that will help them make a determination of discharge.
- Examples of Factors to be considered are provided by the EPA in the FAQ for all animal sectors, the dairy sector, the beef cattle sector, the swine sector, and the poultry sector.
- Acquiring a NPDES CAFO permit and implementation of associated BMPs will help provide protection to the owner operator against action by the state and federal governments and against citizen suits if a discharge should occur.
- The Secretary of Agriculture may request additional information or changes to be made to the Nutrient Management Plan if necessary and all NOIs will be subject to public review.
- The permit application process will take a minimum of 60 days for approval after the NOI application is submitted.
- Permits may be granted for up to five years.
- Records must be maintained on site for 6 years.

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